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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:)
YUSHI KANEKO) Examiner: R. Abelson
Application No.: 09/487,312) Group Art Unit: 2666
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For: ENCODING APPARATUS,)
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STORING ENCODING) December 23, 2003

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated September 25, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests that the following amendments and remarks be entered and considered in the above-identified application.

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